IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO, EASTERN DIVISION

SCOTT OBERG and WILLIAM WUNSCH)
On behalf of themselves and all others similarly-situated) Case No.: 1:19-cv-01100
•) JUDGE SOLOMON OLIVER, JR
Plaintiffs,)
V.)
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INPAX SHIPPING SOLUTIONS INC.;)
INSS, LLC;)
INPAX FINAL MILE DELIVERY INC.; and)
LEONARD WRIGHT)
)
Defendants.)

STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED] ORDER REGARDING CONDITIONAL CERTIFICATION, ISSUANCE OF COLLECTIVE ACTION NOTICE, AND DISCLOSURE OF CONTACT INFORMATION

Plaintiffs, SCOTT OBERG and WILLIAM WUNSCH, on behalf of themselves, individually, and on behalf of all others similarly situated (collectively, "Plaintiffs"), on the one hand, and Defendants INPAX SHIPPING SOLUTIONS INC., INSS, LLC, INPAX FINAL MILE DELIVERY INC., and LEONARD WRIGHT (collectively, "Defendants"), on the other hand, by and through their respective undersigned counsel, hereby stipulate, and the Court hereby orders, that:

1. The Second Count in Plaintiffs' Second Amended Complaint, *see* Dkt. # 39, at ¶¶ 123-132 shall be conditionally certified pursuant to Section 216(b) of the Fair Labor Standards Act (the "FLSA"), 29 U.S.C., § 203, *et seq.*, with respect to a collective consisting of individuals employed by Defendant(s) between May 15, 2016 and April 27, 2019, as a delivery driver operating non-freight vehicles delivering packages for Amazon.com, and working at a facility located at 26555 Bluestone Blvd., in Euclid, Ohio, or at a second facility located at 4500 Western

Ave., in Lisle, Illinois. Specifically, Plaintiffs and Defendants (collectively, the "Parties") stipulate to the following collective as superseding that which is defined in Paragraph 113 of the Second Amended Complaint:

All individuals employed by Defendant(s) between May 15, 2016 and April 27, 2019, as a delivery driver operating non-freight vehicles delivering packages for Amazon.com, and working at a facility located at 26555 Bluestone Blvd., in Euclid, Ohio, or at a second facility located at 4500 Western Ave., in Lisle, Illinois.

- 2. Within twenty-one (21) days of the date that this Court so orders this Stipulation, Defendants shall provide a list of names, last known email addresses (as and if maintained by Defendants), and last known mailing addresses (as and if maintained by Defendants) of all persons employed by Defendants between May 15, 2016 and April 27, 2019, as a delivery driver operating non-freight vehicles delivering packages for Amazon.com, and working at a facility located at 26555 Bluestone Blvd., in Euclid, Ohio, or at a second facility located at 4500 Western Ave., in Lisle, Illinois. Defense Counsel shall provide said information in a text searchable electronic format such as Microsoft Excel.
- 3. Plaintiffs' Counsel shall send the Notice and Opt-In Form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Notice and Opt-in Form") to putative members of the collective (the "Notice Recipients") within twenty-one (21) days of the date Plaintiffs' Counsel receives the disclosure provided for in Paragraph 2, *supra* (the "Notice Commencement Date"). Plaintiffs' Counsel shall send the Notice and Opt-in Form to Notice Recipients by First Class Mail and/or by electronic mail (in the manner described in Paragraph 4, *infra*). Plaintiffs' Counsel shall not send any other materials, communications, or documentation to any of the Notice Recipients other than the Notice

and Opt-in Form. The Notice and Opt-in Form shall not be transmitted to the Notice Recipients by any other method. However, notwithstanding the preceding sentence, only if a putative collective member contacts Plaintiffs' counsel directly to request an Opt-in Form, there shall be no limitations on the transmittal method which Plaintiffs' counsel may use to provide an Opt-in Form to that putative collective member.

- 4. Plaintiffs' Counsel shall only send the Notice and Opt-In Form via electronic mail with the following subject line: "Notice of Collective Action Lawsuit: OBERG, et al. v. INPAX SHIPPING SOLUTIONS INC., et al., Case No. 1:19-cv-01100 (N.D. Ohio)." The body of the email shall be in the format found in Exhibit B, attached hereto. The email will include a .PDF version of the Notice and Opt -in Form as an attachment.
- 6. The Opt-In period shall be sixty (60) days from the Notice Commencement Date. Unless otherwise stipulated to by the parties, only those Opt-In Forms filed with the Court by Plaintiffs' Counsel within this sixty-day period shall be considered timely, and only those Notice Recipients whose forms have been properly completed and filed during this period shall be considered an Opt-In Plaintiff in this action.
- 7. On a date that is thirty (30) days after the Notice Commencement Date, Plaintiffs' Counsel shall send one copy of the Reminder Notice annexed hereto as Exhibit C (the "Reminder Notice") by First Class Mail to Notice Recipients who have not yet opted into this action along with a copy of the Notice and Opt-in Form.
- 8. By stipulating to Conditional Certification, Defendants are not waiving their right to move to decertify this collective action pursuant to FLSA § 216(b) or to oppose any future

motion that Plaintiffs may bring with respect to the issue of final certification of a FLSA collective action.

Dated: January 20, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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SO ORDERED:		
U.S.D.J.		

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF COLLECTIVE ACTION LAWSUIT

A collective action lawsuit for unpaid overtime may affect your legal rights.

If you worked for Inpax Shipping Solutions Inc., INSS, LLC, Inpax Final Mile Delivery Inc., and/or Leonard Wright ("Defendants") at any time between May 15, 2016 and April 27, 2019, as a delivery driver operating non-freight vehicles delivering packages for Amazon.com, and working at a facility located at 26555 Bluestone Blvd., in Euclid, Ohio, or at a second facility located at 4500 Western Ave., in Lisle, Illinois, please read this Notice.

- This Notice informs you of a collective action lawsuit that has been filed under the Fair Labor Standards Act ("Federal Wage Law") alleging that Defendants failed to pay their Delivery Drivers all overtime wages due. You have the right to join this lawsuit if you want, or to decline to join the lawsuit. This lawsuit is currently pending, and the Court has not decided who is right or who is wrong.
- Plaintiffs Scott Oberg and William Wunsch (collectively, "Plaintiffs") each allege that they were employed by the Defendants delivering packages for Amazon.com.
- Plaintiffs brought this lawsuit against Defendants on behalf of themselves and all other current
 and former "Delivery Drivers and/or 'Delivery Associates,' or employees in substantially
 similar positions and/or with similar job titles," who worked for Defendants at any time
 between May 15, 2016 and April 27, 2019.
- Plaintiffs claim that they respectively worked in excess of forty hours per week and that
 Defendant did not pay them for all hours worked, including all overtime due, in violation of

the Fair Labor Standards Act. Defendants deny any wrongdoing and maintains that all their respective employees were and are paid in compliance with the law.

• The Court has authorized the parties to send out this Notice. The Court has not decided who is right or who is wrong. The purpose of this notice is to advise you of your rights.

YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS IN THIS LAWSUIT			
COMPLETE AND SIGN THE ATTACH CONSENT FORM TO BE INCLUDED	If you choose to be included in this collective action, you must complete the consent form at the end of this Notice. You may then share in any proceeds from a settlement or judgment if those bringing the claims are successful, but you give up any rights to separately sue the Defendants for the same legal claims in this lawsuit.		
DO NOTHING	By doing nothing, you will not be included in this lawsuit relating to claims under the Fair Labor Standards Act.		

1. Why did I get this notice?

You are getting this notice because Defendants' records show that you may have worked as a delivery driver at a facility located at 26555 Bluestone Blvd., Euclid, Ohio, or at a second facility located at 4500 Western Ave., Lisle, Illinois, operating non-freight vehicles, delivering packages for Amazon.com, during the period of May 15, 2016 to April 27, 2019.

2. What is a collective action and who is involved?

In a collective action lawsuit, one or more persons can bring a lawsuit on behalf of others who have similar claims. The individuals who brought this lawsuit are called the Plaintiffs. The corporate entities and individual that are being sued is called the Defendants. One court resolves the issues for everyone who decides to join the case.

3. What is this collective action lawsuit about?

This collective action lawsuit is about whether Defendants violated certain federal wage and hour laws. The lawsuit alleges that Defendants violated federal law by not paying Plaintiffs for all hours worked, including all overtime due. Plaintiffs are seeking to recover unpaid minimum and overtime wages in addition to liquidated damages, attorneys' fees, and costs.

Defendant denies any wrongdoing and/or liability and maintains that all their employees were and continue to be paid in accordance with federal law. The Court has not made any ruling in the case about whether Plaintiffs or Defendants are correct. The Court has no view on whether you should or should not join this lawsuit.

4. How do I join this collective action lawsuit?

To participate in this lawsuit, you need to fill out the enclosed form called "Consent to Join Lawsuit" and mail it in the enclosed, postage-paid envelope to Plaintiffs' Counsel: Christopher P. Wido, The Spitz Law Firm, LLC, 25200 Chagrin Blvd., Ste. 200, Beachwood, OH 44122. Should the enclosed envelope be lost or misplaced, the Consent to Join form must be sent to:

Christopher P. Wido The Spitz Law Firm, LLC 25200 Chagrin Blvd., Ste. 200 Beachwood, Ohio 44122

You can also fax the Consent to Join form to (216) 291-5744; or scan and email it to chris.wido@spitzlawfirm.com.

The signed Consent to Join form must be postmarked, faxed, or emailed by [60 days from mailing of notice] or you may not be allowed to participate in this lawsuit.

5. What happens if I join the collective action lawsuit?

If you join this lawsuit, you may be required to participate in written discovery and you may be required to appear for deposition at a place to be determined by the Court and/or trial in the Northern District of Ohio (located in Cleveland, Ohio), to help the Court decide whether you are owed any money. If you join the lawsuit, you will be required to preserve all documents in your possession, custody, and control relating to the Defendants and to your employment.

If you join this lawsuit, you will be bound by any ruling, settlement, or judgment, whether favorable or unfavorable. If there is a favorable resolution, either by settlement or judgment, and you qualify under the law, you may be entitled to some portion of the recovery. However, joining this lawsuit does not mean that you are automatically entitled to any money, only that the lawyers who represent you will try to obtain money for you.

If you choose to join this lawsuit Plaintiffs' counsel will represent you. By joining this lawsuit, you designate Plaintiffs, and/or their counsel, to the fullest extent possible, to make decisions on your behalf concerning the case, the method and manner of conducting the case, and all other matters pertaining to this lawsuit. The decisions made and agreements entered into by Plaintiffs and/or their counsel relating to the lawsuit will be binding on you if you join the lawsuit.

6. What happens if I do nothing at all?

You will not be included in this lawsuit and you will not be affected by any settlement or judgment rendered in this case, whether favorable or unfavorable. The limitations period on your federal claims continues to run.

7. Can I participate in this collective action lawsuit regardless of my immigration status?

Yes. You have a right to participate in this Lawsuit regardless of your immigration status.

8. If I join, will there be any impact on my employment?

Federal law prohibits Defendants from discharging or retaliating against you in any other manner because you join this case.

9. Do I have a lawyer in this case?

Plaintiffs are represented by The Spitz Law Firm, LLC. If you choose to join this lawsuit, you will be represented by The Spitz Law Firm, LLC. If you decline to join this lawsuit, you have the right to hire another attorney of your choosing, at your own expense, or represent yourself *pro se* without the assistance of a lawyer, in a separate action.

If The Spitz Law Firm represents you, they will represent you on a contingency fee basis, meaning that you will not owe any attorneys' fees unless Plaintiffs are successful and wins the case or obtains a settlement, in which case the Court will determine the amount of attorney's fees to be paid.

10. This Notice has been authorized by the Court

This notice and its contents have been authorized by Judge Oliver Solomon of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, located in Cleveland, Ohio. The Court has not yet ruled on whether Plaintiffs' claims or Defendants' defenses have any merit.

PLEASE DO NOT WRITE OR CALL THE COURT OR THE CLERK OF THE COURT ABOUT THIS NOTICE.

Although the Court has approved the sending of this Notice, the Court expresses no opinion on the merits of the Lawsuit, or whether you should join the lawsuit. The Court has not decided who is right and who is wrong.

If you have any questions, you may contact Plaintiffs' attorneys, The Spitz Law Firm by telephone at (216) 291-4744 or in writing at Christopher P. Wido, The Spitz Law Firm, LLC, 25200 Chagrin Blvd., Ste. 200, Beachwood, OH 44122, or by email at chris.wido@spitzlawfirm.com. Defendants are represented in this lawsuit by Stefan R. Dandelles, Aaron Solomon, and Jean Liu, Kaufman Dolowich & Voluck, LLP, (312) 759-1400, 135 S. LaSalle Dr., Ste. 2100, Chicago, IL 60603, sdandelles@kdvlaw.com.

CONSENT TO JOIN LAWSUIT FORM

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IF YOU RECEIVED THIS FORM AND WANT TO JOIN THIS LAWSUIT, PLEASE COMPLETE THESE TWO STEPS:

- 1. COMPLETE AND SIGN THIS CONSENT TO JOIN LAWSUIT FORM; AND
- 2. USE THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE TO RETURN THIS FORM TO THE ADDRESS BELOW NOT LATER THAN [60 DAYS FROM MAILING OF NOTICE]:

Christopher P. Wido The Spitz Law Firm, LLC 25200 Chagrin Blvd., Ste. 200 Beachwood, Ohio 44122

You can also fax the Consent to Join form to (216) 291-5744; or scan and email it to chris.wido@spitzlawfirm.com.

CONSENT TO JOIN LAWSUIT FORM

I, hereby consent to be a plaintiff in an action under the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C § 201 et seq, to secure unpaid minimum and overtime wages, liquidated damages, attorney's fees, cost, and other relief arising out of my employment with Inpax Shipping Solutions, Inc., and/or any other associated party.				
to my claims by joining my claims to an extrassociated parties. By signing and returning this representation, I will be represented by the above fees. I understand that if Plaintiffs are successful deducted from my settlement or judgment amounderstand that Plaintiffs may petition to Councertainty Defendants on my behalf. I understand that the	associated attorneys to represent me with respect isting lawsuit against Defendants and any other is consent to sue, I understand that, if accepted for attorneys without prepayment of cost or attorneys I, cost expended by attorneys on my behalf will be bunt on a pro rata basis with all other plaintiffs. I art for an award of fees and cost to be paid by fees retained by the attorneys will be either be the cent (40%) of my gross settlement or judgment,			
Note: If you do not return this Consent Form, y	ou will not be a participant in the lawsuit.			
SIGNATURE	PRINT NAME			
Address	City, State, Zip Code			

Email Address

Telephone Number

EXHIBIT B

COURT AUTHORIZED NOTICE OF LAWSUIT

You have received this Notice because you have been identified as an individual who worked for INPAX SHIPPING SOLUTIONS INC., INSS, LLC, INPAX FINAL MILE DELIVERY INC., and/or LEONARD WRIGHT (collectively, "Defendants") at any time between May 15, 2016 to April 27, 2019 at a facility located at 26555 Bluestone Blvd., in Euclid, Ohio, or 4500 Western Ave., in Lisle, Illinois, as a delivery driver operating non-freight vehicles, delivery packages for Amazon.com.

You may be entitled to join a lawsuit. For additional information about the case, including how to join, please open and review the attached documents.

THIS ELECTRONIC NOTICE AND ITS CONTENTS ARE NOT SPAM OR A SOLICITATION TO JOIN A LAWSUIT. THIS NOTICE AND ITS CONTENTS HAVE BEEN SENT PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO. THE COURT HAS TAKEN NO POSITION REGARDING THE MERITS OF THE PLAINTIFFS' CLAIMS OR THE DEFENDANTS' DEFENSES.

EXHIBIT C

REMINDER NOTICE

This notice is to remind you that you may be entitled to join a lawsuit currently pending against INPAX SHIPPING SOLUTIONS INC.; INSS, LLC; INPAX FINAL MILE DELIVERY INC.; and LEONARD WRIGHT. If you want to participate in the lawsuit as detailed in the enclosed Notice you must take two steps by [60 days from mailing date of original notice]:

- 1. COMPLETE AND SIGN THE ATTACHED "CONSENT TO BECOME A PARTY PLAINTIFF" FORM; <u>AND</u>
- 2. MAIL, FAX, OR E-MAIL THE "CONSENT TO BECOME A PARTY PLAINTIFF" FORM TO THE ADDRESS BELOW TO ALLOW FOR FILING ON OR BEFORE [60 days from mailing original notice]:

Chris P. Wido Re: Inpax Case THE SPITZ LAW FIRM, LLC 25200 Chagrin Blvd, Suite 200 Beachwood, OH 44122 Fax: (216) 291-5744

Email: chris.wido@spitzlawfirm.com

If you are receiving this notice, you should only make your decision to participate in this lawsuit after reviewing the information contained in the Notice of Collective Action.

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